

March 14, 1969

Dear Harold,

I will be happy to check into Hoovers original testimony plus the other named testimony as soon as I get up to D.C. This will depend on whether or not I will work on my next duty night, which will be Monday. If so, I plan on coming up Tuesday, if I can make it.

In reference to my involvement in the Boxley thing, I feel that I am already involved on 2 points; (1) that being a "critic" I am thus open and interested in all aspects of the case; and (2) one of the main points of the Boxley thing is Youngblood, which I have done a lot of work into. From meeting and talking to both Penn and you, I naturally have complete faith in both of you. But I am at a loss as to really understand who is right and who is wrong. I wrote to Gary and asked him to send me some solid evidence which I could see with my own eyes. But he wrote back and said he had copies but was unable to send them to me. Why? What does he think I am, a CIA agent also or something? I think you can understand my point of view. Without seeing something solid to back up all this, I can't really rely on any one persons judgement. And now Gary says he wants no further dealings with Penn and he doesn't trust anything that Penn says. Isn't this an exaggerated "shooting from the hip" type of judgement????

By the way, what turned up on that Jack Youngblood picture which I sent you? Have you had any contact with Nancy Rich on it or anything new on it lately? As you can see, while you are saying that "Jack" might possibly be the real Youngblood, Penn is saying that

"Jack" is not the real Youngblood. So I don't know whether my work in this area is panning out or whether it was worth it after all. Any help????????

Sincerely,

Barry
Barry Ernest

P.S. I haven't forgotten about the books you sent me. I'm still trying to get them all sold for you!!!

3/17 - he was here last night & we discussed this